Van Cove School District District Status Report for 2004-05

ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

The Standards of Accreditation of Public Schools require that each school offer three programs of study in three different occupational areas. Below are the programs offered for 2005-06. If a program is offered at a secondary vocational center, students must be enrolled in the 2005-06 school year.

Van Cove High School is offering 5 programs of study in 4 different pathways.

Pathways and Programs of Study

Animal Systems

Animal Systems Approved

Family & Community Services

Family & Consumer Sciences Education Approved

Interactive Media

Desktop Publishing Approved Multimedia Approved

Power, Structural and Technical Systems

Agricultural Power, Structural & Technical Approved

Systems

Van Cove High School rating: Meets Standards of Accreditation

ACADEMIC SKILL ATTAINMENT

Academic Attainment has been based on the number of concentrators that score above the 50th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test-9 (SAT 9). However, the concentrators for 2004-05 were the last students to take the SAT 9 during their sophomore year in high school. Also, the end-of-level assessments in Literacy, Algebra, and Geometry will be used in the future for this measure. Although the Department did report Academic Attainment to the U.S. Department of Education, individual school districts will not be held responsible on the District Status Report this year. Next year, Academic Attainment will be based on the number of concentrators scoring Proficient or Advanced on the end-of-level assessments.

VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

Vocational Technical Skill Attainment is based on the average scores in the Vocational Student Competency Testing program for all students tested at the end of a CTE course.

	Number Tested	School Average	State Averag
Van Cove High School	58	56%	
Agriculture Education	46	56%	64%
Agriculture Mechanics II	23	62%	66%
Small Engine Technology	23	50%	61%
Business & Marketing Education	12	59%	67%
Multimedia Applications I	12	59%	63%

Number tested in district: 58
District average score: 56%
State benchmark 80%

District rating: Below benchmark

Note: According to the records we have from APSCN and from information submitted by the CTE teachers, it appears that the following courses were offered in the district but were not tested during t 2004-05 school year. However, if the course was offered at a secondary vocational center, the testin information will appear in the report for the center and not the district.

Agriculture Mechanics I
Family & Consumer Sciences
Family Dynamics
Food & Nutrition
Workplace Readiness

GRADUATION

The graduation rate for concentrators is based on the number of students identified as concentrators the beginning of their senior year (completed at least two units in one occupational area) compared with the number of those who graduated.

Percent of concentrators graduated 97% State benchmark 90%

District rating: Significantly exceeds benchmark

Meets or exceeds state average of 90%

COMPLETERS OF PROGRAMS OF STUDY

A completer is a graduate who successfully completed three or more units of credit within a program of study, including all the core requirements for that program of study. There are two measures for this indicator. The first is the number of completers compared to the number of graduates. The second is the number of seniors enrolled in career and technical classes compared to the number of completers.

Completers compared with graduates 31% State benchmark 35%

District rating: Approaching benchmark

Number of seniors enrolled compared with number of completers 33% State benchmark 50%

District rating: Below Benchmark

Total unduplicated number of completers of programs of study	13
Agricultural Mechanics	5
Information Management/Desktop Publishing	3
Information Management/Multimedia	2

PLACEMENT

Placement is based on the status of completers six months following graduation. Completers who pursued opportunities in postsecondary education, the workforce, and/or the military are considered positive placements.

Completers reported in 2003-04 6 Percent positive placement 100% State benchmark 98%

District rating: Significantly above benchmark Meets or exceeds state average of 95%